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SUBJ: ASSISTANCE TO USCIT WILLIAM ROCHER

1. ON APRIL 29, 1974, MR. WILLIAM ROCHER, US CITIZEN,

RETIRED AIR FORCE, CALLED THE EMBASSY TO SAY THAT HE WAS IN

GORGAS HOSPITAL IN THE CANAL ZONE, SUFFERING FROM A GUNSHOT

WOUND. THE ACCIDENT TOOK PLACE IN SAN ANDRES

ISLAND, COLOMBIA AND EMBASSY BOGOTA WAS INFORMED. HE WAS

EVACUATED TO GORGAS AND HIS WIFE FOLLOWED IN THEIR BOAT,

LEAVING A \$6,000 HOSPITAL DEBT IN SAN ANDRES. WHEN THE BOAT

ENTERED PANAMANIAN WATERS IT WAS BOARDED BY THE PANAMANIAN

NATIONAL GUARD AND A 45 CALIBER PISTOL WAS CONFISCATED. MR.

ROCHER SAYS THAT HIS WIFE PLANS TO TAKE THEIR BOAT ON TO FLORIDA.

EMBASSY INFORMED MR. ROCHER THAT WE COULD NOT BECOME INVOLVED

IN DEBT SETTLEMENT BUT ONLY PROVIDE HIM WITH LIST OF ATTORNEYS. EMBASSY WILL KEEP ADDRESSEES INFORMED OF ANY FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

THIS CASE.

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